King County	Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention Adult Divisions General Policy Manual	
	Chapter 7 **Resident Services**	
7.01.001, Medical Alerts	Approved By:	Director Allen Nance
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Purpose: To establish guidelines for notifying operational staff of approved medical accommodations.

Policy: It is the policy of this Department to accommodate a resident's medical needs when such accommodations do not pose a safety or security concern.

Definitions:
Medical Alerts: A Jail Management System (JMS) alert used to identify a specific ADA or medical accommodation.

A. General Guidelines:

1. DAJD shall work directly with JHS to make sure that approved and medically necessary accommodations are promptly addressed.
2. Accommodations needed to address medical issues shall be coordinated between DAJD and JHS. However, DAJD will, when deemed necessary by JHS, authorize a jail resident to bring into the jail personal medical accommodation items as long as it does not pose safety and security concerns.
3. When a jail resident is authorized to bring a personal medical accommodation item into the jail, the ITR Sergeant shall ensure that the item is examined to determine if it will pose any safety or security concern. In such instances where a JHS staff member and the ITR Sergeant do not concur regarding a resident's medical accommodation, the Shift Commander will be contacted to make the final determination for the accommodation.
4. Whenever a medical accommodation is authorized, officers shall be responsible for immediately notifying their Duty Sergeant if safety and security concerns regarding the approved accommodation are ever identified. If safety and security concerns exist, DAJD will work with JHS to attempt to find an appropriate alternative accommodation.
5. When notified by JHS, either in person or via the telephone, unit Officers are required to comply with the accommodation identified in the JMS medical alert before the conclusion of their shift.
6. Unit Officers will log the distribution of item(s) indicated in the JMS medical alert in the JMS shift log.
7. Jail residents cannot obtain extra linen, mattress, uniforms or underwear without having an active JMS medical alert.

8. Officers will ensure that medical accommodations are removed from the cell (and placed in the jail resident's property if the item belongs to the resident) when a JMS medical alert expires.